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## ***SOUTH DAKOTA HAS RECORD WHEAT PRODUCTION IN 2007***

**SIoux FALLS, SEPTEMBER 28, 2007** - South Dakota's 2007 all wheat production is at 147.52 million bushels, which represents record all wheat production for the state. All small grain yields, except barley, are up from last year's drought reduced yields, according to the South Dakota office of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service.

**All wheat** production in 2007, at 147.52 million bushels, is up 75 percent from last year. This breaks the previous state all wheat production record of 139.27 million bushels recorded in 1996. The all wheat yield of 44.3 bushels is up 11.6 bushels from last year. Harvested acres, at 3.33 million, are 29 percent above last year. Planted acres, at 3.51 million, are up 6 percent from last year.

**Winter wheat** production this year, at 95.04 million bushels, is up 130 percent from last year's production. Yield, at 48.0 bushels per acre, is 12 bushels above last year. Harvested acres, at 1.98 million, are 72 percent above the 2006 level. Planted acres, at 2.10 million, are up 45 percent from last year. This winter wheat crop represents state records in total production, yield, harvested acres and planted acres. The previous highest winter wheat production recorded in South Dakota was 65.56 million bushels in 2005.

**Other spring wheat** production, at 52.26 million bushels, is up 23 percent from last year's production. Yield, at 39.0 bushels per acre, is up 9 bushels from last year. Producers harvested 1.34 million acres, down 6 percent from 2006. Planted acres, at 1.40 million, are down 24 percent from last year.

**Durum wheat** production, at 216,000 bushels, is 140 percent above last year's production. Yield, at 27.0 bushels per acre, is up 12 bushels from last year. Planted acres totalled 9,000, with 8,000 acres harvested for grain.

**Oat** production in 2007, at 9.25 million bushels, is 71 percent above last year's production. Yield, at 74.0 bushels per acre, is up 17 bushels from last year. Harvested acres, at 125,000, are up 32 percent from 2006. Planted acres, at 330,000, are down 13 percent from last year.

**Barley** production totalled 1.16 million bushels, 107 percent above last year's production. Yield, at 40.0 bushels per acres, is equal to last year. Harvested acres, at 29,000, are up 107 percent from 2006. Planted acres, at 56,000, are up 2 percent from last year.

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